

PISCATORIAL ALLIES

HOOT GERMAN CATCHES

Parrot Fish in Aquarium
Taught to Hate the Ten-
ton Finsters.

TRAINED FOR SMOKE

Scientists Would Have
Treat if the Flying Fish
Hadn't Side Slipped.

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ing all over the press gallery, deriving all thoughts of facetiousness from the most irreverent of porters; for Mike is their friend and they sorrowed with him.

And no true friend of Mike could away from the smoker at Aquarium last night with any other except to write a straightaway, a life, dignified account of the smokes and then hurry back to the Battery to try to cheer Mike up. For when thing wasn't happening to Mike yesterday it was another, and all be-

Mike Had His Troubles. In the first place—to begin with—barest recital of the facts of the case would make it clear that the man who was Charles Hawkins Townsend, the distinguished director of the Aquarium, was a man of the highest moral and intellectual standards. He was a naturalist, a scientist and a conservationist. America was to be entertained at his Aquarium as a part of their country's contribution to the World's Fair. Townsend, as he was known, was a man of the highest moral and intellectual standards. He was a naturalist, a scientist and a conservationist. America was to be entertained at his Aquarium as a part of their country's contribution to the World's Fair.

Aquarium for several hours each day, showing them cellingward again and again until they tried to settle on a ray. Unfortunately, the ray was not in the tank, and the instructor and the instructor left to right. The result was that though the muscles of the right side developed enormously, the port muscles atrophied, and the fish was unable to train the muscles to do the aviating stunts he had intended, and the flying fish all side slipped constantly (owing to the greater weight of the starboard wing muscles) and he was unable to do the flying stunts he had intended to stun and even kill them.

Prof. Gannon, with the perseverance as characteristic of all scientists was the name, promptly downed his first

work upon still another idea he had in mind to make the smoker program a notable one. It seems that about the time the United States went into war Prof. Gannon—on pure patriotic rather than scientific motives—moved the parrot fish close to the German tank and began to teach the parrot (during odd moments) to swear in German carp.

Great Submarine Idea.

Out of this humble beginning Gannon evolved the idea of inter-

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mo brilliant ideas of his entire life career flashed upon him. He was a fisherman, and he was a fisherman, he decided, just about the dinner table that would go far in brightening up the smoker of last night. From Glasgow he decided to begin the story with the fisherman and the two of Irishmen, Mike and Pat." The parrot fish was to learn the little tale that the Irishman from the west coast of Ireland had come to the Dublin Irishman about wonders of the west coast, would be the story of the many fish on the Mayo waters that "my cousin red w'ith" them."

Had to Call Off Dinner

But as late as last Monday night Gannon learned with dismay that president of the society of visiting Irish is none other than the Hon. John Gannon of the Government Division of Fish Culture. The name of the distinguished O'Malley na-

Gannon had to call off his parrot for as that particular story was verified, for fear of hurting the feelings of the chief guest at the smoker.

Immediately Prof. Gannon cast for another smoker yarn of an old nature and hit upon the one concerning the debate in the Board of men over the motion to buy gondolas to put on the lakes in the future. During the previous year, Prof. had taught his parrot to finish off all the story up to but not including the point where Alderman arises solemnly and remarks: "I go to the expense of buying a gondola?" Why not buy a head?

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—High pressure prevails east of the Mississippi River, with great areas of high clouds. The weather is also above normal west of the Mississippi, although falling rapidly in the plains. Night temperatures are below normal, but probably cooler in the upper Ohio Valley and in the northern half of the Mississippi valley. Daily State temperatures are below normal, seasonal average over all portions of the Mississippi valley. Fair weather in the Mississippi Valley eastward. Fair weather has prevailed except over a narrow strip of the Ohio River valley, where it is cloudy eastward through Iowa, eastern Minnesota and Wisconsin. In the latter two States, the light rain. A local shower occurred in the morning. Unknown intensity was central this morning. A shower occurred in the morning of the Island of Porto Rico moving westward in the northwest. With the exception of showers in the lake region and on Thursday in the lake region generally fair weather will prevail. The forecast for the next 24 hours is: fair in the forecast district. It will be somewhat cooler in the lake region. Daily State temperatures will change but little.

LOCAL WEATHER RECORDS

Barometer	30.24	30.21
Humidity	70	70
Wind	W	W
Wind-velocity	10	10
Clouds	Clear	Clear
Precipitation	None	None

The temperature in this city, generally at 8 a.m., by the official thermometer, is shown in the annexed table:

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	High	Low	Wind	Dir.	Rain	Wthr
Atlantic City...	60	54	W.	14	...	Cloudy
Anaheim...	64	...	N.	20	...	Clear
Boston...	76	66	N.W.	14	...	PCly
Jacksville...	80	64	N.	14	...	Clear
Chicago...	58	54	N.E.	08	02	Cloudy
St. Louis...	62	63	S.	10	...	Clear
Minneapolis...	48	...	S.E.	08	36	Rain
Denver...	70	48	N.W.	08	04	Clear
Wilmington...	68	...	W.	12	...	Clear
Charleston...	80	64	N.	10	...	Clear
Norfolk...	78	...	E.	Cloudy

EVENTS TO-DAY.

American Fisheries convention, Walden all day.

Lecture on "Glasses and the Glass War," 7 East Fifteenth street, 8:15 P. M.

Board of Education meeting, Park avenue and Fifty-ninth street, 4 P. M.

INDIANA SERGEANT FIRED FIRST U. S. GUN

**Right on Momentous
Event.**

obscurity until now, Alex Arch of South Bend, Ind., a Sergeant in Battery C of the Sixth Field Artillery, will go down in history as the man who sent the first American shot whanging into the German lines on October 23, 1917.

Great for that test has been accom-
another member of the same battery,
but Sergeant Arch really started the
fireworks, according to a letter receive
by the Associated Press from Capt. Ed
R. McLendon, commander of Battery
Incidentally Capt. McLendon's letter
may be regarded as a valuable historical

thentic story of the firing of the first shot that informed the Kaiser that Uncle Sam was on the job. The General in command of the division of which the Sixth Battery is a part considered it of such importance, says Capt. McLendon, that he made it the object

ward ordered the cases from the first eight shells sent to his headquarters for preservation.

Later, the Captain adds, Gen. Pershing ordered Sergeant Arch's gun withdrawn with the intention of sending it to the United States as one of the trophies of the war.

The captain says: "Sergeant Alex Arch of South Bay Ind., pulled the lanyard that sent the first American shot into the hog lines on the morning of October 2, 1917, at five minutes past 6. I was present during all the firing of the

"In the gun drill of the 75th piece the gunner, a corporal, lays the gun for direction only; cannoners No. 1 and 2 take the range and the command of the chief of section fires the piece. The chief of section merely repeats the command 'fire,' which is ordinarily given by the lieutenant, who acts as the observer.

"On this particular morning Arch had a special gun crew made up of other sergeants who were in command of gun sections in the battery, all of whom were anxious to have a hand in the job. Arch himself set off the mine and acted as No. 1, pulling the lanyard.

"The question of who fired this shot is not a personal affair at all. It is something which concerns not only this battery but the Sixth Field Artillery and the First Field Artillery Brigade as a whole. The men of this brigade are proud of having been the first to fire."

And we have not stopped fighting. Do not expect to stop until the last shot of the war is fired.

"Sergeant Arch is still living and fighting the Hun, and his fellow soldiers who helped in firing the first shot are still living and fighting, and the old boys are still in the game and are

"The Captain's object in writing this letter is merely to give credit to the men to whom all the officers in his battalion agree it is due and at the same time to furnish the people of the United States with an authoritative account of the engagement."

of them and mate them and let nature take its course."

end. The trouble, so Mike found
toward midnight on Monday, was
the telling of the story caused the
throat to grow dry just before reach
the snapper at the end; and although
parrot fish could be taught, parrot
to repeat the words, it could not

Consequently the smoker last performance was just a smoker—an exceptionally enjoyable one, but falling below the wonderfully entertaining action which it would have been had it been a full-on action picture.

2 pair planned.
